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Re: **Application No.:** 10/601,813
Confirmation No.: 9839
Applicants: Ramachandran, et al.
Filed: June 23, 2003
Title: Automated Banking Machine With
Improved Resistance to Fraud
Art Unit: 2876
Notice of Allowance Date: January 16, 2007
Docket No.: D-1181 R1

Sir:

Please find enclosed the Issue Fee Transmittal form for filing in the above-referenced Application. Also enclosed is an Amendment pursuant to 37 CFR, § 1.312; "Comments on the Substance of the Interview"; and "Comments on the Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowability dated January 16, 2007 kindly enter Applicants' "Comments on the Substance of the Interview" and "Comments on the Statement of Reasons for Allowance" without prejudice as follows:

Comments on the Substance of the Interview

An interview was conducted on December 21, 2006 between Examiner Daniel Hess and a representative (Daniel Wasil, Reg. No. 45,303) of Applicants. The Examiner initiated the interview. The courtesy of the Examiner is greatly appreciated.

Applicants' representative and the Examiner discussed amending the claims to advance prosecution. Applicants' representative proposed amending the claims in the manner set forth in the "Proposed Amendment For Purposes Of An Interview", which was sent to the Examiner on December 21, 2006. Authorization was granted the Examiner to perform an Examiner's Amendment to amend the claims as proposed.

Applicants' proposal included amending claims 1, 16, 19, 26, and canceling claims 35-38. The Examiner's amendment set forth in the Notice of Allowability dated January 16, 2007 substantially corresponds to Applicants' proposal. However, the Examiner's Amendment does not include Applicants' proposed amendment to claim 16. The proposed claim 16 amendment included the insertion of a comma after the language "wherein the operation is dependent on the prompting". Thus, an amendment is attached herewith to insert said comma in claim 16.

Also, the Examiner's Amendment to claim 1 does not correspond exactly to Applicants' proposed amendment to claim 1. The proposed claim 1 amendment included the insertion of the language "wherein the at least one radiation *emitting* device is operative to emit radiation". The Examiner's Amendment inadvertently left out the term "emitting" from said language. The attached amendment also inserts said "emitting" into claim 1.

Applicants' representative agreed that an example of a known definition for the term "fuzzy logic" could be found in the *Microsoft Computer Dictionary* (5th ed.). The example definition is correctly set forth in the Notice of Allowability dated January 16, 2007.

Comments on the Statement of Reasons for Allowance

Applicants acknowledge the Office's admission that the pending claims are patentable over the references of record. Applicants respectfully submit that while the specific features and relationships mentioned in the statement of reasons for allowance are not disclosed or suggested in the prior art, these are not the only recited features and relationships which are not found in the prior art. Furthermore, the statement sometimes indicates a general paraphrasing of claim language, and not necessarily the exact claim language. The statement also refers to subject matter (or language) which is not recited in all of the claims. For example, but not necessarily all-inclusive, not all claims require a card slot or a card reader. Nor do claims require a sensing system that detects degrees of obstruction. Furthermore, claims are not to be limited to the exact definition of the term "fuzzy logic" found in the *Microsoft Computer Dictionary* (5th ed.), as it is but one dictionary example of the definition. It should be understood that the allowed subject matter is to only be limited by that subject matter which is specifically recited. Any remarks in the statement which narrow the recited subject matter should be disregarded.

Respectfully submitted,



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